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CITY MAYOR'S OFFICE

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 19

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AN ORDER DECLARING THE CITY OF VALENCIA UNDER COMMUNITY QUARANTINE EFFECTIVE 6:00 PM OF 16 MARCH 2020 UNTIL 29 MARCH 2020 AS PART OF THE PREVENTIVE MEASURES TO AVOID AND PREVENT THE SPREAD OF CORONAVIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19).

WHEREAS, the Philippine Constitution mandates that the State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people;

WHEREAS, the Local Government Code authorizes the local government units (LGUs) to exercise the powers essential to the promotion of the general welfare of the people;

WHEREAS, the President of the Philippines has issued Proclamation No. 922 dated 8 March 2020 declaring a State of Public Health Emergency in the entire country due to the outbreak and confirmed local transmission of the Coronavirus Disease (Covid-19);

WHEREAS, the President has pronounced on 12 March 2020 that the country's alert system over the Covid-19 threat has been raised to Code Red Sub-Level 2 and he has suspended the land, domestic air and sea travel to and from Metro Manila effective on 15 March 2020;

WHEREAS, in an emergency meeting held on 15 March 2020 by the Task Force Against Covid-19 together with internal medicine specialists, hospital administrators and medical directors of Valencia City, it was agreed that more stringent measures have to be implemented to restrict the movement of persons in the City of Valencia in view of the limited resources of the government and private hospitals, the rising number of Persons Under Monitoring (PUMs) in the city and the increasing number of residents and students who have either arrived or are coming home from Metro Manila;

WHEREAS, there is a need to place the City of Valencia under community quarantine to avert the spread of the virus, compel residents to stay in their homes and keep Valencia City free from Covid-19;

NOW THEREFORE, I, AZUCENA P. HUERVAS, City Mayor of Valencia City, Bukidnon, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare the City of Valencia under community quarantine effective **6:00 PM of 16 March 2020** until **29 March 2020** as part of the preventive measures to avoid and prevent the spread of Coronavirus Disease (Covid-19).



Under a community quarantine, the following guidelines are hereby imposed:

1. The movement of residents in the City shall be limited to accessing basic necessities and reporting for work while uniformed personnel, health and/or quarantine officers shall be present at border points to be designated and manned by the Composite Team of the PNP Valencia and the City Task Force under the City Administrator's Office.
2. The entry to and exit from the City of Valencia shall be restricted except for: a) health workers b) authorized government officials c) those travelling for medical or humanitarian reasons d) persons transiting to airports/seaports for essential and authorized travel e) persons providing basic services and public utilities f) labor and workforce;
 - 2.a. At designated health checkpoints, necessary screening shall be enforced for passengers of incoming public or private vehicles;
 - 2.b. Drivers, passengers and travelers entering Valencia City shall be required to present valid IDs, address, contact number and travel history and shall be checked for signs and symptoms for proper processing/endorsement in accordance with DOH protocols and guidelines. The Composite Team may issue supplementary guidelines to effectively enforce this provision.
3. The movement of cargoes and goods to and from Valencia City shall be unhampered subject to proper screening of drivers/workers stated above.
4. Business establishments shall remain open **except**: a) resorts, swimming pools and recreation facilities b) cockpit arenas c) movie houses d) karaoke, bars, videoke and beer houses e) other entertainment and amusement sites;
5. Classes and all school activities in all levels shall remain suspended starting 16 March 2020 until 29 March 2020 pursuant to Executive Order No. 18 s. 2020. Schools may however allow students to continue fulfilling their school requirements during said period through online or electronic instructions while ensuring that students remain at home during class suspension;
6. Unaccompanied students or pupils loitering about in malls or crowded areas during school hours shall be sent home. Moreover, curfew time



from 10:00 PM to 4:00 AM for unaccompanied minors under City Ordinance No. 19-2006 (Valencia City Children's Welfare Code) as enforced under Executive Order No. 02 s. 2020 shall be strictly implemented.

7. Mass gatherings shall be prohibited. This includes movie screenings, concerts, sporting events, entertainment activities, fiesta celebrations, *Araw ng Barangay*, community assemblies and non-essential work-related gatherings.
8. Participants to essential gatherings and meetings must exercise extreme prudence and precaution by ensuring that all DOH-mandated guidelines are in place.
9. Religious leaders, priests, ministers, pastors and imams are urged to temporarily suspend weekly church service or public prayer worships involving mass gatherings for the period covered by this declaration.
10. Residents are directed to stay at home, observe proper hygiene and cooperate with government authorities. Proper handwashing, disinfection, social distancing and coughing/sneezing etiquette must be practiced at all times.
11. The City Health Office shall establish a Valencia City Respiratory Triage Center for Covid-19 as recommended by the *Task Force Against Covid-19* subject to certain guidelines to be issued by the undersigned in a separate Executive Order.
12. The City Government shall enforce a flexible workweek schedule subject to CSC guidelines and supplementary rules to be issued by the undersigned or the HRMO.

Previous issuances or any portion thereof, which are inconsistent with the provision of this Executive Order are hereby amended and superseded accordingly.

SO ORDERED.

Done this 16th day of March 2020 at the Office of the City Mayor, City of Valencia, Bukidnon, Philippines.

AZUCENA P. HUERVAS